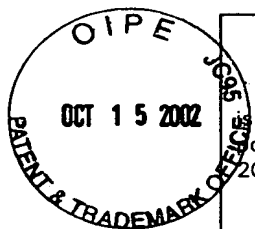


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In response to the Office action dated July 17, 2002, Paper No. 7, amend the above-referenced application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

- 1 1. (Amended) A stent graft comprising:
- 2 at least one stent having a proximal end and a distal end and having
- 3 a lumen extending therethrough between the proximal and distal ends, and

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Amendment and Response to First Office Action (4 pages)
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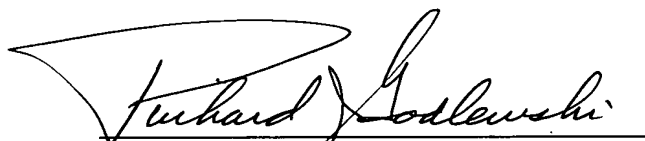
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